



PLEASED to meet you. My name is Doug McTavish. I am a McGoun debater. I helped win the trophy for Alberta.
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Best Debators Bring

McGOUN BACK

U of A debaters captured the McGoun Cup, the symbol of debating supremacy among the four Western universities, in finals held Friday, Jan. 25.

U of A captured seven of a possible eight points. Each judge awards one point and another point is added for the victory.

U of A debaters defeated the University of British Columbia 4-0 in Vancouver, and the University of Saskatchewan 3-1 here in Edmonton. Manitoba was second with five points, Saskatchewan was third with four points, and BC finished last with no points.

Doug McTavish, comm 3, and Bill Guest, arts 2, debated the affirmative of "resolved that Canadian self-determination is a myth" against U of S debaters Doug Forbes and Milton Orris. Chris Evans, law 3, and John Burns, arts 3, debated the negative of the resolution against UBC.

Judges for Friday's debate were Michael O'Byrne, H. G. Ward, and W. G. Morrow, Q.C.

In proposing the motion, McTavish stated that self-determination does not lay simply in the ability to make a choice, but rather on the ability to execute the choice. In carrying out this choice a nation is restricted by external forces which can act as deterrents and by costs involved in choosing alternatives.

He further stated that in an age in which isolationism lies in the past, no nation is absolutely autonomous. Canada is further hindered by the fact that its history has been a pattern of dependence, first, on Great

Britain, and later on, militarily, culturally, and economically on the USA.

He stated that this is a very natural situation because Canada is a young nation and must look to older, stronger nations for help.

Arguing for Canadian self-determination, Orris stated that Canada does not have to show its self-determination at every opportunity. It can be expected that Canadians agree with their friends and allies at most times because we share their basic beliefs. It is not a case of one nation giving in to another, but rather a sharing of basic beliefs.

In winning the McGoun Cup, U of A also won the right to represent the Western Universities in the national debating finals. These finals will be held sometime in March, and are sponsored by the National Federation of Canadian University Students.

This is the fourth time in six years that U of A has won the McGoun Cup. Last year the cup was won by the U of M.



PIPES BEING EXERCISED by visiting Saskatchewan debater during McGoun final in Convocation Hall.

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Poll Shows RCMP Not Inquiring

by John J. Barr

A week-long Gateway survey has failed to disclose any Royal Canadian Mounted Police investigation into campus political activity.

The rumor that RCMP inquiries were underway was scotched when a poll taken of students and professors failed to return any evidence of RCMP surveillance.

A RCMP spokesman was non-committal when approached for comment on the rumor: "I couldn't comment on that," Inspector Dean of the local RCMP detachment told the Gateway.

"I can't understand this concern," President Johns commented. "Security clearances are the only instances of investigations that I know of." The President added that his office had always co-operated with the RCMP when approached for information pertaining to security clearances sought for civil service positions.

Professor A. M. Mardiros, philosophy department head and active in the campus CUCND chapter, said that he had no knowledge of having been investigated, nor did he think that any of his colleagues had ever been investigated.

Professor D. B. Scott of the physics department, likewise a CUCND member, said that he had no know-

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A Merry Med of '63

photo by Kendel Rust

Grads To Pay For Use Of SUB Facilities -- Next Year

A special subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Student Affairs will recommend that University of Alberta graduate students pay a five dollar Students' Union fee beginning next year.

It was learned Tuesday, following a meeting of the special subcommittee on graduate student affairs, that the recommendation will be made to President Johns, the University Board of Governors and the Senate.

If passed by today's Board of Governors meeting, the fee increase could come into effect next fall. President Dave Jenkins and Secretary-Treasurer Iain Macdonald represented the Students' Union in the negotiations.

The subcommittee was formed at a meeting of COSA last November as a result of Students' Union discussions with the Graduate Students' Association, and the fact that graduate students were caught up in a controversy over whether a compulsory-membership association to represent their interests should be formed.

The five dollar fee, it was stated by Students' Union delegates, is based on current student usage of Students' Union facilities, including SUB and the Students' Union-sponsor clubs.

The fee will stipulate payment of \$1.75 to Gateway. A survey of 60 per cent of Edmonton's graduate students revealed that over 60 per cent read the campus paper. To date they have not been paying for it.

Because Students' Union activities and facilities are expected to change greatly with development of the ex-

panded Students' Union Building, the fee will be subject to review and renegotiation.

Remainder of the fee, \$3.25, will cover Students' Union general expenses of operation, and contribute towards costs of SUB expansion.

Points of contention around the fee centred on the relationship of graduate students to SUB activities.

The subcommittee delegates—Jenkins and Macdonald—admitted having conceded that existing SUB facilities are not designed to interest grad students.

"But we argued that the new SUB, with its very extensive facilities, could mean a lot more to them," said Jenkins. "If they are willing to pay \$5 on the present building, the door is open for a larger fee based on a new building.

"The fee will be kept open for negotiation in the future, and we have been given the option of charging membership fees of graduate students joining Students' Union clubs like Mixed Chorus or Debating Society," continued Jenkins.

Macdonald expressed regret that the subcommittee had not had earlier meetings in which to discuss the fee issue. "It seemed too bad to have to discuss and decide all at one sitting," he said. However, internal conflicts in the Graduate Students' Association prevented the grads from agreeing on any stand. Since next year's fees must be set this month, a quick decision was necessary.

"We get pretty busy keeping up with the Students' Union," he said. "An earlier meeting or series of meetings could have helped us structure our thoughts and make more deliberate policy."

Faculty delegates to the subcommittee were Dr. A. G. McCalla, Dean

of Graduate Studies, and Dr. W. F. Bowker, Dean of Law. Chairman was Provost A. A. Ryan.

Macdonald and Jenkins also attended a meeting of the graduate students' Committee of Fifteen, Tuesday night. The Committee, established to represent all graduate students, largely supplants the old Graduate Student's Association in speaking on graduate interests.

Grad delegates Gerald Murphy and Len Hills represented this ad hoc committee to the COSA subcommittee meeting. At the Committee of Fifteen meeting, Students' Union delegates discussed the fee itself, its flexibility, and requested graduate student liaison in SUB expansion planning. Alex McCalla was chairman.

The subcommittee's report will be discussed at a COSA meeting later in the spring.

VGW Deficit

U of A's Varsity Guest Weekend Committee expects to run about \$200 into the red, according to VGW Business Manager Ron Goldberg, sci. 2.

Two weeks ago "we were about \$800 to \$1,000 in the red," Goldberg told The Gateway Tuesday night. "We were originally in plenty of trouble."

He said the expected deficit has been reduced to about \$200 by:

- eliminating the publication of a booklet which would have cost about \$700;
 - economizing in other departments.
- Goldberg said the committee ran into some unexpected expenses from The Gateway and bus advertising.

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